

REMARKS

This Amendment is related to formal matters and provide specific reference to earlier filed U.S. Patent Application No. 08/208,586, upon which this application claims priority in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 120. Therefore, this amendment corrects a clear typographical error in the Specification. No additional search or examination is required because the claim for priority was previously made.

CONCLUSION

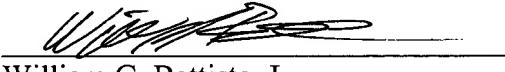
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at 202.739.5983 if there are any outstanding issues that can be resolved via a telephone conference.

EXCEPT for any issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made by this amendment. The attached pages are captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

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